GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1600
ANSWERED ON:28.11.2002
CORRUPT PUBLIC SERVANTS (FORFEITURE OF PROPERTY) BILL
SHRINIWAS DADASAHEB PATIL;SURESH KODIKUNNIL

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Corrupt Public Servants (Forfeiture of Property) Bill drafted by the Law Commission is gathering dust;

(b) whether the Commission had requested the Government to take immediate steps for getting the Bill passed; and

(c) the time by which the Government propose to bring the Bill before the Parliament?

Answer

MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K.JANA KRISHNAMURTHI)

(a), (b) & (c): The Law Commission vide its 166th Report recommended enactment of `The Corrupt Public Servants (Forfeiture of Property) Bill` which was examined in consultation with legal experts who have expressed their opinion that instead of enacting separate legislation, it would be appropriate if the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 is amended in such a way so as to make it more deterrent. It was felt that it would be a better way to achieve the objective of rooting out corruption.